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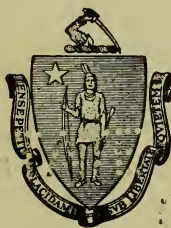
Secretary of the Commonwealth

OF

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

Year ending November 30, 1934



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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, January, 7, 1935.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:-

I have the honor to submit, in compliance with General Laws, (Tercenary Edition) chapter 9, section 17, the annual report of the transactions of this office for the year ending November 30, 1934, the returns of the sheriffs of the several counties of money received by them, and of their attendance upon a court of record and the county commissioners; a report showing the aggregate vote, both affirmative and negative, on every act or part of an act which shall have been referred by the General Court for acceptance or rejection to the voters of the Commonwealth or any part thereof, or to the city council of any city, during the calendar year 1934; and a record of the work of this Department in respect of public records under chapter 66 of the General Laws.

There is also presented, in compliance with General Laws, (Tercenary Edition) chapter 221, section 24, as amended, abstract and tabular statements of the returns of the clerks of the courts for the several counties and the clerks of the Superior Court for civil and for criminal business in Suffolk county; as to civil cases, the number of law, equity, and divorce cases pending at the beginning of each year in the Superior Court for their respective counties, the number of cases of each class disposed of in previous years and brought forward this year, the number of law cases transferred to equity, and the number of equity cases transferred to law, the number of jury, without jury, equity, and divorce cases disposed of during the year, the number of each of these four classes of cases pending at end of the year, the number of each of these classes of cases tried during the year (not including number in which issues were tried to a jury), the number of equity cases in which issues were tried to a jury, the number of jury, without jury, equity, and divorce cases awaiting trial at end of the year, the number of each of said classes of cases marked inactive during the year under rule of the court, and the number of each of said classes of cases marked inactive at any time, pending at end of year, and subject to dismissal under the rule, and the number of days during which court has sat for hearings or trials with jury and without jury; and, as to criminal cases, the number of such cases remaining at the first of each year in the Superior Court for their respective counties, the number of indictments returned during the year, the number of appealed cases entered during the year, the number of actions on bail bonds or recognizances entered, the number disposed of in previous years which have been brought forward for redispotion, the number of cases disposed of during the year, the number of cases remaining at end of the year, the number of cases tried during the year, the number awaiting trial at end of the year, and the number of days during which the court has sat in their respective counties for trials, hearings, or dispositions.

RECEIPTS

The following table shows in detail, receipts from fees, etc., all of which were paid into the treasury daily, and quarterly reports thereof made to the Governor and Council, as required by General Laws, (Tercenary Edition) chapter 9, section 1:—

4		P.D. 46
Commissions		\$14,710.00
Corporation Certificates		348,175.63
Limited Partnerships		340.00
Labels, Trade-marks, etc.		9,100.00
Sale of Books, etc., 22,135.41 } 6.75 }		22,142.16
Certificates		2,570.09
Military Records		61.70
Copies:		
Corporations	\$7,241.55	
Archives	6,268.11	
		13,509.66
Miscellaneous:		
Vital Statistics	\$1,662.10	
Advance Sheets	600.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	10.00	
		2,272.10
		<u>\$412,881.34</u>

COMMISSIONS

The number of commissions issued during the year ending November 30, 1934, was 3,598 (an increase of 186 from the preceding year), of which 672 were without fee and 91 became void by reason of the failure of the appointees to take out the commissions or to qualify thereunder. The different classes were as follows:

Notaries public	2,529
Justices of the peace	355
Justices of the peace to solemnize marriages	14
Justice, Superior Court	1
Judge of Probate and Insolvency	1
Justices and special justices, municipal and district courts	17
Justices of the peace to issue warrants and take bail	3
Trial justices	4
Clerks, municipal and district courts	13
Masters in chancery	22
Public administrators	17
Special state police officers	41
Trustees, commissioners, etc.	203
Public warehousemen	28
Medical examiners	17
Associate medical examiners	19
Commissioners to qualify public officers	4
Commissioners in other states	2
Commissioners in foreign countries	2
Board of Excise, city of Chelsea	2
Fall River Board of Police, chairman	1
Finance Commission, city of Boston, chairman	1
Supervisors of Elections, city of Boston	302
	<u>3,598</u>

Certificates to the number of 6,607 were issued, of which 1,467 were for certificates for which no fees are charged.

CORPORATION DIVISION (Rooms 332 and 333)

The total number of certificates of incorporation issued under General Laws to new corporations for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1934, was 2,656 — a decrease of 343 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1933. They were classified as follows: —

P.D. 46	5
Business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, section 12)	2,184
Religious, charitable, social, educational, musical, athletic, etc. corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180, section 3)	403
Fraternal beneficiary corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 176, section 9)	20
Churches (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 67, section 51)	13
Credit Unions (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 171, section 3)	33
Insurance company (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 175, section 49)	1
Water company (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 158, section 9)	1
Steam company (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 158, section 9)	1

The number of certificates of every description filed was 25,061 — an increase of 552 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1933. Of these, 2,184 were articles of organization of business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, section 12); 403 were articles of organization of religious, charitable, social and other organizations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180); 1,288 were amendments of Massachusetts business corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 156, sections 16, 17, 42-45); 17,516 were certificates of condition of Massachusetts corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 158, sections 37 and chapter 156, section 47); 1,958 were certificates of condition of foreign corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 181, section 12); 940 were reports of social and athletic organizations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 180, section 26A), and the others were divided among 36 other classes.

There were issued 45 certificates of change of name of corporations (under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 155, section 10, and chapter 180, section 11).

Returns were received of the dissolution of 21 corporations by the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

Under the act relating to the incorporation of clubs, charters were refused in 65 cases, three charters declared void, and 29 applications for incorporation withdrawn. Under the law relative to change of name of clubs, one such application was withdrawn.

Limited partnership certificates to the number of 34 were filed. 3,548 certified copies of the records and certificates were supplied — an increase of 477 as compared with the fiscal year ending November 30, 1933.

LABELS, TRADE-MARKS, ETC.

By General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 8, which relates to the adoption and registration of labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement, the duty is placed upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth of receiving and filing such labels, etc., and of issuing and recording certificates of record. Under this law, labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement were received, and certificates of record issued and recorded in 360 cases.

Under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 8, which provides for the assignment of labels, trade-marks, stamps and forms of advertisement, six assignments were received, and certificates of registration issued.

MARKS AND DEVICES ON CANS, ETC.

Under General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, chapter 110, section 21, which provides for the protection of dealers and consumers against the unlawful use and destruction of milk and ice cream cans, jugs, bottles, jars, tubs or cabinets, four descriptions of marks, devices etc. were received and filed.

VITAL STATISTICS DIVISION (Room 334)

Under the provisions of General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 46, section 17, returns of births and marriages from 355 cities and towns and births from the State Infirmary at Tewksbury for the year 1933, which were received in 1934, cover 63,457 births and 25,949 marriages, a decrease of 5,061 births and an increase of 3,132 marriages, as compared with the returns of 1932.

Under the provisions of the same law 50,832 certified copies of records of deaths were received, covering a period from January 1, 1933, to December 31, 1933, an increase of 1,301 as compared with the returns of 1932.

Medical examiners' returns for 1933 cover 8,587, an increase of 210 as compared with the returns for 1932.

Returns by clerks of courts and registers of probate of the decrees of divorce for 1933 number 3,210, a decrease of 333 as compared with the returns for 1932.

These figures are fully compiled and analyzed in the annual registration report for 1933 (Public Document No. 1), and were available August 2, 1934.

During the year 2,692 certificates of birth, 1,649 certificates of marriage and 1,163 certificates of death were issued, a total of 5,504. Of these 2,076 were certified abstracts given for Soldiers' Relief and United States Government war claims without fee. There were 21,893 requests for records, an increase of 5,069 more than in 1933. Fees received from these certificates amounted to \$1,662.60.

8,648 card abstracts of birth records for school, employment and enlistment purposes were issued without charge, an increase of 1,676.

There were 4,436 delayed records of birth and corrections of birth records received; 163 corrections of marriage and 119 corrections of death records were also received.

CHANGES OF NAMES OF PERSONS

The returns of 945 names, changed in 1933 as decreed by the several probate courts, were received and filed in compliance with the requirements of General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) chapter 210, section 12.

ARCHIVES DIVISION (Room 438)

There have been made during the fiscal year 59 military certificates, 14 typewritten copies, and 21,006 photostatic copies of legislative records and files, maps, corporation records, finger prints, etc.

The following fees have been received:

Military certificates, \$61.70; typewritten copies, \$22.25; photostatic copies, \$6,245.86; totalling, \$6,329.81.

No volumes of Vital Records were purchased during the year, the usual annual appropriation for the purpose having been omitted.

PUBLIC DOCUMENT DIVISION (Room 118)

During the year 1934 the following publications were received for distribution through the Public Document Division: 62,580 volumes of the Public Document Series, representing 78 reports of the several state departments, boards and commissions; 10,200 copies of the Acts and Resolves passed by the General Court of Massachusetts at an extra session, 1933; 10,000 copies of the 1934 pamphlet edition of the Session Laws; 9,000 copies of the 1934 bound edition of the Session Laws, commonly called the Blue Book; 600

copies each of the Senate and House Journals, 1934, total, 1,200 copies (from the Sergeant-at-Arms); 410 copies each of the Massachusetts Reports, Nos. 282, 283 and 284, total 1,230 copies; 550 copies of the Proceedings of the Sixty-eighth Annual Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Massachusetts, 1934; 600 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirty-fourth Annual Encampment, United Spanish War Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, 1933; 1,400 copies of the Proceedings of the Fifteenth Annual Convention, The American Legion, Department of Massachusetts, 1933; 816 copies of the Proceedings of the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Massachusetts, 1933; 500 copies of the Proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Convention, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, 1933; 50 copies of the 1933 report of the Finance Commission for the City of Lowell, which copies were received from the above commission; 200 copies of the 1933 report of the Fall River Board of Finance, which copies were received from the above board; 40 copies of the 1933 report of the Finance Commission for the City of Boston, which copies were received from the above commission; 728 copies of the General Laws Relating to Corporations, 1931, which copies were received from the Department of Corporations and Taxation; 2,000 copies of the Massachusetts Soldiers, Sailors and Marines in the Civil War, Vol. 7; 10,015 copies of the Manual for the Instruction of Applicants for the Police Service of Cities and Towns in Massachusetts; 1,535 copies of the Statutes Relating to Savings Banks, 1933; 720 copies of the Statutes Relating to Trust Companies, 1933; 2,048 copies of the Statutes Relating to Co-operative Banks, 1934; 300 copies of the Journals of the House of Representatives, Vol. 14, 1736-37; 7,160 copies of the 1931, 1932 and 1933 amendments to the Laws Relating to Insurance and Insurance Companies; 5,116 copies of the General Laws Relating to Primaries, Caucuses and Elections, 1934; 1,971 copies of the General Laws Relating to Taxation and Special Assessments, revised to May 1, 1934; 1,000 copies of the Proceedings of the Constitutional Convention held on June 26, 1933; making a grand total of 130,959 volumes that have passed through this division during the year.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS, (Room 252)

Inspections

Under the provisions of General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 66, section 1, there have been made by the Supervisor of Records during the year 1934 inspections of the care, custody, condition and protection against fires of the public records of the departments and offices of the counties, cities and towns as follows:—

Abington, Acushnet, Alford, Amesbury, Ashland, Athol, ATTLEBORO, Auburn, Barnstable, Barre, Bedford, Belchertown, Bellingham, Berlin, Bernardston, BEVERLY, Blackstone, Blandford, Bolton, Bourne, Brewster, Bridgewater, Buckland, Burlington, Charlemont, Chatham, Chester, Chesterfield, Conway, Cummington, Dana, Deerfield, Dennis, Douglas, Dracut, Dudley, East Bridgewater, Eastham, Easton, Egremont, Enfield, Erving, Essex, Falmouth, Florida, Franklin, GARDNER, Gill, Goshen, Gosnold, Grafton, Granby, Granville, Great Barrington, Greenfield, Greenwich, Hadley, Hamilton, Hampden, Hardwick, Harwich, Holland, Holliston, Hopedale, Hopkinton, Hubbardston, Huntington, Leicester, Lenox, Lexington, Lunenburg, Mashpee, Medway, Mendon, Merrimac, Methuen, Middlefield, Middleton, Milford, Millis, Millville, Monson, Monterey, Montgomery, Nantucket, New Marlborough, New Salem, NEWBURYPORT, Norfolk, NORTH ADAMS, North Attleborough, North Reading, Northborough, Northbridge, Northfield, Norton, Orange, Orleans, Palmer, Pelham, Peterham, PITTSFIELD, Plainfield, Plainville, Prescott, Princeton, Provincetown, QUINCY, Rayham, Richmond, Rochester, Rockland, Rowley, Russell, SALEM, Sandisfield, Savoy, Sheffield, Shelburne, Shrewsbury, South Hadley, Southborough, Southbridge, Sturbridge, Swampscott, TAUNTON, Tolland, Topsfield, Truro, Tyngsborough, Tyringham, Upton, Uxbridge, Ware, War-

wick, Wellfleet, Wendell, West Bridgewater, West Stockbridge, Westborough, Westminster, Whitman, Williamsburg, Wilmington, Worthington, Wrentham, Yarmouth.

During the year 30 vaults and 11 safes have been approved by this office.

Fires

On the afternoon of December 5, 1933, fire broke out in the storage room of the Street Commission in City Hall, Boston. No records were lost.

On the afternoon of December 28, 1933, fire broke out in the Town Hall at Tisbury. No records were lost.

On January 3, 1934, an early evening fire started in the basement of the building at Rockland in which Town Offices are situated. The fire was confined to the basement and no records were lost.

City Halls

No new City Halls have been built during the year. Alterations have been made during the year on the following City Halls: Beverly, North Adams, Quincy, and Pittsfield has taken a building outside the City Hall for the Public Welfare department. The city of Salem has restored its Old Town House to its original state and it is occupied by the City Welfare and Park departments.

Town Halls

The Town offices at Blackstone have moved to their new building. Alterations have been made during the year on the following town halls: Amesbury, Brookline, Holliston, Monson, North Reading, Shrewsbury, Sturbridge, Wilmington and Westford by the construction of vaults.

Repairing and Binding

Records have been repaired and rebound during the year for the cities of Attleboro and Holyoke, towns of Ashland, Bedford, Duxbury, Orleans, Rockport, and Wellfleet: Registries of Deeds at Plymouth and Taunton and Clerk of Courts at Plymouth.

Typewriter Ribbons and Stamping Pads

A printed list of approved typewriter ribbons and stamping pads will be published later for distribution.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL AND AGENTS' EXPENSES

In compliance with General Laws, (Tercentenary Edition) chapter 3, sections 39 to 50 inclusive, relative to legislative counsel and agents' expenses incurred or paid in connection with promoting or opposing legislation during the last regular session of the General Court, there were 232 entries made in the dockets, a decrease of 17 as compared with 1933.

Returns covering 226 entries were received from persons, associations or corporations employing legislative counsel and agents. Five employers who failed to file returns within the time prescribed by law were reported to the Attorney-General.

The total amount reported as paid to legislative counsel and agents was \$93,895.97. In addition to this amount \$20,603.99 representing annual salaries or retainers apportioned, and \$26,160.00 unapportioned, was reported. Fourteen employers stated that they paid nothing.

PROCLAMATIONS

The proclamations of His Excellency the Governor were printed and distributed under the direction of this office. For the observance of each of the following 11,000 copies were distributed to churches, schools, institutions, patriotic societies, postmasters and city and town clerks: — Lincoln Day, February 12, 1934; Spanish War Memorial Day and Maine Memorial Day,

February 15, 1934; Boston Massacre, March 5, 1934; Flag Day, June 14, 1934; Bunker Hill Day, June 17, 1934; Commodore John Barry Day, September 13, 1934; Pulaski Day, October 11, 1934 and Armistice Day, November 11, 1934. 11,000 copies of the Arbor and Bird Day proclamations were mailed to churches, schools, granges, agricultural societies, institutions, postmasters and city and town clerks, and in observance of Thanksgiving Day 10,000 copies of the Governor's proclamation were sent to churches, schools, postmasters and city and town clerks.

Fire Prevention Week was designated to include the week of October 7, 1934, and 6,650 copies of the Governor's proclamation were distributed to the fire chiefs of the Commonwealth for churches, schools and post offices.

In observance of Conservation Week, April 9 to 13, 1934, Humane Sunday, April 15, 1934, "Be Kind to Animals Week", April 16 to 21, 1934 and Education Week, November 5 to 11, 1934, proclamations were issued by His Excellency the Governor to the press.

PARDONS, COMMUTATIONS, RESPITES, REQUISITIONS, ETC.

The number of pardons made out and issued during the year was 43, of which 33 were granted under parole conditions, 2 were conditional, and 8 full and complete; commutations, 7; respites, 7; requisitions upon the other States, 76, upon the Secretary of the Navy of the United States, 1; upon the Secretary of State of the United States for extradition requests upon foreign countries, 2; and warrants issued upon requisitions from other States, 16.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

By General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), chapter 30, section 37, certain rules and regulations of departments, commissions, boards or officials vested by law with the power to make and issue rules and regulations general in scope, and to be observed or performed under penalty for the violation thereof, shall not take effect until attested copies thereof have been filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Under this law rules and regulations were filed by the following departments during the year 1934: Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, Department of Banking and Insurance, Department of Civil Service and Registration, Department of Conservation, Department of Labor and Industries, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Public Utilities, Department of Public Works and Board of Tax Appeals.

MISCELLANEOUS

The two reports from this office which form a part of the Public Document series, namely, Returns of Births, Marriages, Divorces and Deaths (Public Document No. 1) and Election Statistics. (Public Document No. 43) have been made, as required by law.

FREDERIC W. COOK,
Secretary of the Commonwealth

RETURNS FROM CITIES AND TOWNS RELATIVE TO ACTION TAKEN UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL LAWS
(Tercentenary Edition)

WHEN RECEIVED	CITY OR TOWN	SUBJECT AND REFERENCE	ACTION	DATE OF ACTION
1934				
Jan. 18	Marlborough .	Assistance of police department in performing duties of assistant assessors, G. L. 51, s. 14A	Accepted	Jan. 15, 1934
Feb. 27	Athol .	Reserve police force in towns, G. L. 147, s. 13A.	Accepted	Feb. 19, 1934
Feb. 27	Raynham .	Establishment of fire department, G. L. 48, ss. 42-44	Accepted	Mar. 16, 1929
Mar. 5	Gardner .	Publication of ordinances and proposed ordinances in certain cities, G. L. 40, s. 32A	Accepted	Nov. 7, 1933
Mar. 10	Chatham .	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Feb. 20, 1934
Mar. 21	Hadwick .	Civil service for chief of police, G. L. 31, s. 49.	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1934
Mar. 24	Millis .	License fee for carrying on business of slaughtering cattle, sheep or swine, G. L. 94, s. 120	Accepted	Mar. 22, 1934
Mar. 26	Framingham .	Disposition of burnt or dangerous buildings, G. L. 139, ss. 1, 2 and 3	Accepted	Mar. 16, 1934
Mar. 30	North Andover	Reserve police force in towns, G. L. 147, s. 13A	Accepted	Mar. 17, 1934
Apr. 4	Athol .	Establishment of fire department, G. L. 48, ss. 42-44	Accepted	Mar. 29, 1934
Apr. 10	Winchendon .	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Mar. 10, 1934
Apr. 24	Brockton .	Pensions for foremen, inspectors, etc., G. L. 32, s. 77, par. (b)	Accepted	Apr. 21, 1934
Apr. 26	Arlington .	Licenses for sale of certain articles on the Lord's Day, G. L. 136, ss. 7 and 8	Accepted	Mar. 28, 1934
Apr. 26	Arlington .	Civil service for policemen and firemen, G. L. 31, s. 48	Accepted	Apr. 23, 1934
Apr. 26	Arlington .	Certain sports and games permitted on the Lord's Day, G. L. 136, ss. 21-25	Accepted	Apr. 23, 1934
Apr. 26	Arlington .	Civil service for laborers, G. L. 31, s. 47	Accepted	Apr. 23, 1934
May 15	Malden .	Licensing of open-air parking spaces, G. L. 148, s. 56	Accepted	Apr. 12, 1934
May 19	Worcester .	No loss of pay or vacation to certain state and municipal employees in militia, G. L. 33, s. 67.	Accepted	May 16, 1934
June 25	Randolph .	Disposition of burnt or dangerous buildings, G. L. 139, ss. 1, 2, and 3.	Accepted	May 12, 1934
July 2	Sharon .	Uniforms for policemen and firemen, G. L. 40, s. 6B	Accepted	Mar. 12, 1934
Nov. 9	Beverly .	Publication of ordinances and proposed ordinances in certain cities, G. L. 40, s. 32A	Accepted	July 23, 1934
Nov. 24	Medford .	Establishment of art commission, G. L. 41, s. 82	Accepted	Oct. 31, 1934
Nov. 28	Weymouth .	Two platoon system in fire department, G. L. 48, s. 59	Accepted	Nov. 21, 1934
Nov. 28	Chicopee .	City charter, plan D, G. L. 43	Accepted	Nov. 6, 1934
			Rejected	

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT AND REFERRED TO THE VOTERS, TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A CITY, TO THE SELECTMEN OF A TOWN, OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY

WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				YES	NO
1933					
Dec. 16	City Clerk, Quincy . . .	An Act to provide for the election of the auditor of accounts of the city of Quincy by the city council of said city (1933, 61).	Dec. 5, 1933	12,634	2,228
Dec. 22	Town Clerk, Wellesley . . .	An Act establishing in the town of Wellesley representative town government by limited town meetings (1932, 202)	Mar. 6, 1933	666	1,216
Dec. 23	Town Clerk, Needham . . .	An Act establishing in the town of Needham representative town government by limited town meetings (1932, 279)	Mar. 13, 1933	1,314	1,112
Dec. 23	City Clerk, Boston . . .	An Act relative to the indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles, and subjecting employees of certain county and district hospitals to certain provisions of the workmen's compensation laws (1933, 318, s. 4)			
1934					
Jan. 2	City Clerk, Newton . . .	An Act relative to the construction of a parkway or boulevard from Hammond street in the town of Brookline to Beacon street in the city of Newton and relative to the construction of an extension of said parkway or boulevard in said city of Newton (1932, 301)	Dec. 20, 1933	-1	-
Jan. 9	City Clerk, Lowell . . .	An Act providing for advance payments on account of taxes for the years nineteen hundred and thirty-three and nineteen hundred and thirty-four in certain cities and towns (1933, 99)	Dec. 30, 1933	-2	-
Feb. 2	City Clerk, Somerville . . .	An Act providing for advance payments on account of taxes for the years nineteen hundred and thirty-three and nineteen hundred and thirty-four in certain cities and towns (1933, 99)	Jan. 5, 1934	-1	-
Feb. 2	City Clerk, Springfield . . .	An Act providing for advance payments on account of taxes for the years nineteen hundred and thirty-three and nineteen hundred and thirty-four in certain cities and towns (1933, 99)	Jan. 31, 1934	-2	-
Feb. 20	Town Clerk, Swampscott . . .	An Act making the provisions of the civil service laws applicable to the town of Swampscott with respect to its highway department (1934, 8)	Jan. 30, 1934	-1	-
Mar. 10	City Clerk, Woburn . . .	An Act providing for advance payments on account of taxes for the years nineteen hundred and thirty-three and nineteen hundred and thirty-four in certain cities and towns (1933, 99)	Feb. 19, 1934	-3	-
Mar. 15	City Clerk, Lynn . . .	An Act providing for the abolishing of the Independent Industrial Shoemaking School in the city of Lynn (1933, 102)	Jan. 8, 1934	-1	-
Mar. 16	City Clerk, Worcester . . .	An Act authorizing the city of Worcester to use a part of Elm Park in said city for street purposes (1934, 27)	Nov. 7, 1933	10,992	9,815
Mar. 16	Town Clerk, Weymouth . . .	An Act authorizing the town of Weymouth to construct and operate a system of sewers (1934, 47)	Mar. 13, 1934	-1	-
Mar. 22	Town Clerk, Westwood . . .	An Act authorizing the Dedham Water Company to furnish water to the town of Westwood and providing in a certain event that said town may establish a water distributing or water supply system (1930, 248)	Mar. 12, 1934	3,526	2,054
			Mar. 20, 1934	-4	-

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT AND REFERRED TO THE VOTERS, TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A CITY, TO THE SELECTMEN OF A TOWN, OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY

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WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OF ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				YES	NO
Mar. 24	Town Clerk, Millis	An Act regulating the fee for licenses for slaughter houses (1924, 496)	Mar. 22, 1934	- 3	-
Apr. 23	Town Clerk, Stoneham	An Act relative to the indemnification or protection of officers and employees of the Commonwealth, the several counties and the cities and towns for damages sustained on account of the operation of publicly owned motor vehicles (1931, 456, s. 4)	Mar. 12, 1934	- 3	-
Apr. 23	Town Clerk, Easthampton	An Act establishing in the town of Easthampton representative town government by limited town meetings (1933, 178)	Mar. 12, 1934	1,179	889
Apr. 27	Secretary, Home for Jewish Children	An Act empowering the Home for Jewish Children to transfer its property to the Jewish Child Welfare Association (1934, 4)	Mar. 27, 1934	- 6	-
May 8	City Clerk, Woburn	An Act providing for municipal primaries in the city of Woburn (1934, 91)	April 26, 1934	- 1	-
May 25	City Clerk, Quincy	An Act providing retirement allowances based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of the city of Quincy (1934, 152)	May 23, 1934	- 1	-
May 31	City Clerk, Haverhill	An Act to reduce the membership of the board of engineers of the fire department of the city of Haverhill (1934, 117)	May 29, 1934	- 1	-
June 7	City Clerk, Malden	An Act authorizing the city of Malden to pension John Cullen (1934, 228)	June 6, 1934	- 1	-
June 12	City Clerk, Malden	An Act authorizing the city of Malden to pension Charles E. Bullard (1934, 222)	June 6, 1934	- 1	-
June 13	Clerk, Barnstable County Commissioners	An Act providing for the improvement of the water supply and sewage disposal systems at the Barnstable County Sanatorium (1934, 195)	June 11, 1934	- 6	-
June 19	Secretary, Jewish Child Welfare Association	An Act empowering the Home for Jewish Children to transfer its property to the Jewish Child Welfare Association (1934, 4)	June 5, 1934	- 7	-
June 21	Assistant Clerk, Hampden County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Hampden to provide a pension for the widow of Merritt W. Hayden (1934, 273)	June 20, 1934	- 8	-
June 22	Secretary, Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary Society	An Act amending the charter of the Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary Society (1934, 81)	June 5, 1934	- 9	-
July 3	City Clerk, Medford	An Act providing retirement allowances based on annuity and pension contributions for employees of the city of Medford (1934, 88)	May 23, 1934	- 2	-
July 6	Secretary, Tufts College Alumni Association	An Act relative to the election of certain members of the Trustees of Tufts College (1934, 166)	June 25, 1934	- 10	-
July 6	Secretary, Trustees of Tufts College	An Act authorizing the county of Dukes to borrow money for the purpose of contributing to the cost of construction of a highway in the town of Edgartown (1934, 166)	April 26, 1934	- 11	-
July 10	Clerk, Dukes County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Dukes to borrow money for the purpose of contributing to the cost of constructing a bridge and approaches thereto over the outlet of Lagoon Pond in the towns of Oak Bluffs and Tisbury and of certain dredging in connection therewith (1934, 257)	June 16, 1934	- 12	-
July 10	Clerk, Dukes County Commissioners		July 6, 1934	- 12	-
			July 6, 1934	- 12	-

July 12	Clerk, Barnstable County Commissioners	An Act relative to the erection and equipment of a new house of correction and jail for Barnstable County (1934, 230)	July 10, 1934	- 6	-
July 19	Assistant Clerk, Essex County Commissioners	An Act to provide for the reconstruction of the Falls Bridge over the Merrimack River at Broadway in the city of Lawrence (1934, 369)	July 17, 1934	- 13	-
July 23	Assistant Clerk, Middlesex County Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Middlesex to pay for medical attendance and hospital care on account of injuries sustained by Albert A. Waitt while employed at the House of Correction in the town of Billerica (1934, 337)	July 17, 1934	- 14	-
July 25	Town Clerk, Ipswich	An Act authorizing the town of Ipswich to borrow money for school purposes (1934, 240)	July 23, 1934	250	799
July 31	Secretary, The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company	An Act providing for the repair, control and maintenance of the Slade's Ferry Bridge, so called, over the Taunton river between the city of Fall River and the town of Somerset (1934, 367)	July 25, 1934	- 15	-
Aug. 2	Clerk, Barnstable Fire District	An Act authorizing the Barnstable Fire District to supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fires and for domestic use (1934, 302)	July 27, 1934	- 16	-
Aug. 3	Selectmen, Swansea	An Act providing for the repair, control and maintenance of the Slade's Ferry Bridge, so called, over the Taunton river between the city of Fall River and the town of Somerset (1934, 367)	Aug. 2, 1934	- 17	-
Sept. 13	Town Clerk, Barre	An Act establishing the Felton Field Commission in the town of Barre and authorizing said town to acquire land to be used as a recreation field and to improve and maintain such field (1934, 248)	Aug. 30, 1934	- 3	-
Sept. 13	Town Clerk, Barre	An Act further regulating the use of traps and other devices for the capture of fur-bearing animals and providing for local option thereon (1934, 275)	Aug. 30, 1934	77	40
Sept. 22	City Clerk, Lowell	An Act providing for absent voting at regular city elections (1933, 313, s. 1)	Sept. 19, 1934	- 1	-
Sept. 24	Town Clerk, West Stockbridge	An Act further regulating the use of traps and other devices for the capture of fur-bearing animals and providing for local option thereon (1934, 275)	Aug. 29, 1934	74	4
Oct. 13	City Clerk, Cambridge	An Act relative to indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles (1934, 291)	Oct. 11, 1934	- 1	-
Nov. 15	City Clerk, Medford	An Act relative to the indemnification of certain public employees for damages sustained through operation of certain publicly owned vehicles, and subjecting employees of certain county and district hospitals to certain provisions of the workmen's compensation laws (1933, 318)	Nov. 13, 1934	- 2	-
Nov. 15	City Clerk, Springfield	An Act relative to the health department of the city of Springfield (1934, 267)	Nov. 6, 1934	20,499	14,193
Nov. 15	City Clerk, Springfield	An Act subjecting the offices of commissioner of soldiers' relief and state and military aid and supervisor of officers' and sailors' graves in the city of Springfield to the civil service laws (1934, 144)	Nov. 6, 1934	25,840	7,268
Nov. 15	City Clerk, Malden	An Act amending the charter of the city of Malden so as to provide compensation for members of the city council (1934, 203)	Nov. 6, 1934	4,784	9,855
Nov. 15	Chairman, Board of Election Commissioners of Somerville	An Act providing for the appointment of the city auditor of the city of Somerville by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen (1934, 294)	Nov. 6, 1934	13,166	12,018
Nov. 15	Chairman, Board of Election Commissioners of Somerville	An Act reducing the membership of the board of aldermen of the city of Somerville (1934, 298)	Nov. 6, 1934	13,624	11,651
Nov. 16	Chairman, Board of Election Commissioners of Somerville	An Act reducing the membership of the school committee of the city of Somerville (1934, 297)	Nov. 6, 1934	13,423	11,763
Nov. 16	Chairman, Board of Election Commissioners of Somerville	An Act providing for the appointment of the city treasurer of the city of Somerville by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen (1934, 295)	Nov. 6, 1934	12,804	12,165
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Brockton	An Act subjecting the office of agent of soldiers' relief and state and military aid of the city of Brockton to the civil service laws (1934, 239)	Nov. 6, 1934	12,706	3,414

RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL ACTS PASSED BY THE GENERAL COURT AND REFERRED TO THE VOTERS, TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF A CITY, TO THE SELECTMEN OF A TOWN, OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF A COUNTY

— Concluded

WHEN RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	TITLE OR ACT	DATE OF ACTION	VOTE	
				YES	NO
Nov. 16	Town Clerk, Dedham.	An Act placing the office of superintendent of the infirmary of the town of Dedham under the civil service laws (1934, 215)	Nov. 6, 1934	3,187	912
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Beverly.	An Act placing under the civil service the office of chief of police of the city of Beverly (1934, 101)	Nov. 6, 1934	3,658	4,252
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Revere	An Act establishing non-partisan municipal elections in the city of Revere (1934, 293)	Nov. 6, 1934	7,835	727
Nov. 16	Chairman, Election Commissioners of Lynn.	An Act subjecting the office of clerk of soldiers' relief and state and military aid of the city of Lynn to the civil service laws (1934, 139)	Nov. 6, 1934	19,020	5,875
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Quincy	An Act placing the office of chief engineer of the fire department of the city of Quincy under the civil service laws (1934, 128)	Nov. 6, 1934	15,930	4,320
Nov. 16	City Clerk, Quincy	An Act subjecting the office of inspector of wires of the city of Quincy to the civil service laws (1934, 28)	Nov. 6, 1934	15,237	4,756
Nov. 17	City Clerk, Malden	An Act providing for biennial municipal elections in the city of Malden (1933, 155)	Dec. 12, 1933	6,037	6,023
Nov. 30	City Clerk, Malden Commissioners	An Act authorizing the county of Dukes to borrow money for the purpose of contributing to the cost of construction of a highway in the town of Edgartown (1934, 197)	Nov. 23, 1934	- 12	-

¹Accepted by the city council.

²Accepted by the board of aldermen.

³Accepted, affirmative and negative votes not returned.

⁴Adopted by unanimous vote.

⁵Accepted by the board of directors of the Home for Jewish Children.

⁶Accepted by the county commissioners of Barnstable County.

⁷Accepted by the board of directors of the Jewish Child Welfare Association.

⁸Accepted by the county commissioners of Hampden County.

⁹Accepted by the Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary Society.

¹⁰Accepted by the Tufts College Alumni Association.

¹¹Accepted by the Trustees of Tufts College.

¹²Accepted by the county commissioners of Dukes County.

¹³Accepted by the county commissioners of Essex County.

¹⁴Accepted by the county commissioners of Middlesex County.

¹⁵Accepted by the directors of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company.

¹⁶Accepted by the Barnstable Fire District.

¹⁷Accepted by the selectmen of Swansea.

ABSTRACT OF THE RETURNS OF THE SHERIFFS OF THE SEVERAL COUNTIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THE YEAR ENDING
SEPTEMBER 30, 1934, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 37 SECTION 23

COUNTIES	AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED				NUMBER OF DAYS' ATTENDANCE				
	From County Treasurer	From All Other Sources	Total	For Fees in Civil Processes	For Fees in Criminal Processes	Upon the Court	Upon County Commissioners	Upon More than One Tribunal Simultaneously	Total
Barnstable	\$2,460 00	—	\$2,460 00	—	—	35	—	—	35
Berkshire	1,962 94	—	1,962 94	—	—	61	15	2	78
Bristol	4,235 85	\$10,866 04	15,101 89	—	—	151	9	2	162
Dukes	532 65	272 55	805 20	\$252 55	—	11	—	—	11
Essex	5,146 67	12,735 40	17,882 07	—	—	204	30	116	350
Franklin	1,340 85	185 00	1,525 85	—	—	51	—	—	51
Hampden	3,170 94	4,528 50	7,699 44	—	—	121	40	11	172
Hampshire	3,282 07	1,510 00	4,792 07	—	—	76	17	4	97
Middlesex	853 26	17,762 60	18,615 86	—	—	1,564	—	195	1,759
Nantucket	920 19	50 00	970 19	—	—	7	—	—	7
Norfolk	3,699 75	6,875 32	10,575 07	—	—	209	—	83	292
Plymouth	3,952 19	3,580 00	7,532 19	—	—	141	47	34	222
Suffolk	3,000 00	41,291 36	44,291 36	—	—	3,388	—	—	3,388
Worcester	3,400 00	13,397 72	16,797 72	—	—	120	75	—	195
Total	\$37,957 36	\$113,054 49	\$151,011 85	\$252 55	—	6,139	233	447	6,819

ABSTRACT AND TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE LAW, EQUITY, DIVORCE AND CRIMINAL BUSINESS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1934, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 221, SECTION 24, AS AMENDED. (Naturalization Business not included.)

COUNTIES	CIVIL CASES																										
	Number Pending at Beginning of Year			Number New Cases Entered During the Year			Number Disposed of in Previous Years and Brought Forward This Year			Number Transferred from Law to Equity			Number Transferred from Equity to Law			Number Finally Disposed of				Number Pending at End of Year, Including Pending Inactive Cases				Number Tried during Year			Number of Equity Cases in which Issues were Tried to a Jury.
																Law		Equity		Divorce and Nullity	Law		Divorce and Nullity	Law		Divorce and Nullity	
	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Law	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Jury	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Jury	Equity	Divorce and Nullity	Jury	Equity	Jury	Equity	Divorce and Nullity										
Barnstable.	395	58	—	168	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	59	31	—	297	63	44	16	1	—	—	—	—			
Berkshire.	569	136	1	269	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	240	66	34	1	459	75	127	29	8	6	—	—	—			
Bristol.	2,322	449	2	1,000	138	2	—	—	—	—	—	1,012	275	174	7	1,647	390	414	114	58	15	1	—	—			
Dukes.	56	11	—	27	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	3	11	7	29	16	4	8	—	—	—	—	—			
Essex.	6,557	787	3	2,404	370	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,434	427	386	3	5,401	702	771	233	108	34	—	—	—			
Franklin.	324	68	—	119	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	187	17	27	—	193	46	64	43	—	—	—	—	—			
Hampden.	4,372	723	144	2,090	187	2	—	—	—	—	—	1,723	422	324	103	3,770	547	586	198	18	25	—	—	—			
Hampshire.	432	78	4	284	27	1	—	—	—	—	—	237	36	27	3	388	55	78	53	1	—	—	—	—			
Middlesex.	11,927	1,447	13	4,223	487	1	—	—	—	—	—	4,750	610	643	9	9,605	1,199	1,294	264	189	49	—	—	—			
Nantucket.	76	7	—	22	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	15	8	—	13	40	1	2	3	3	—	—	—			
Norfolk.	4,112	379	4	1,236	96	2	—	—	—	—	—	1,523	184	153	8	2,944	699	323	74	29	6	—	—	—			
Plymouth.	1,544	283	88	587	68	80	—	—	—	—	—	639	89	124	70	1,237	166	230	102	8	3	—	—	—			
Suffolk.	32,904	5,761	24	10,412	1,630	1	—	—	—	—	—	11,332	1,839	2,126	9	25,890	4,315	5,268	849	469	415	—	—	—			
Worcester.	6,084	643	2	2,605	177	1	—	—	—	—	—	2,359	346	288	1	5,539	446	532	146	126	18	—	—	—			
Total.	71,674	10,830	292	25,446	3,251	90	3	3	3	10	17	26,645	4,388	4,356	209	57,412	8,759	9,736	2,131	1,022	586	65	—	—			

ABSTRACT AND TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE RETURNS RELATIVE TO THE LAW, EQUITY DIVORCE AND CRIMINAL BUSINESS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1934, IN COMPLIANCE WITH GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 221, SECTION 24, AS AMENDED. (Naturalization Business not included.) —concluded.

COUNTIES	CIVIL CASES										CRIMINAL CASES						
	Number Awaiting Trial at End of Year			Number Marked Inactive During the Year Under Rule of the Court				Number Marked Inactive at Any Time Pending at End of Year, and Subject to Dismissal under the Rule			Number of Days during which Court has Sat for Hearings or Trials			Number Remaining at First of Year.			
	Law			Law		Equity		Law		Equity	Div-orce and Nul-ity	Jury	With-out Jury	Number of Indictments Returnable.			
	Jury	With-out Jury	Equity	Jury	With-out Jury	Jury	With-out Jury	Jury	With-out Jury	Jury							
Barnstable	289	57	42	—	—	—	—	34	13	4	—	—	84	27	84	1	127
Berkshire	440	51	73	—	10	12	—	54	21	39	—	23½	8	65	105	142	28
Bristol	1,538	202	105	—	104	51	60	228	135	129	1	128	46	464	340	1,397	76
Dukes	—	—	—	—	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	51	24	6	10	53
Essex	5,285	526	595	—	341	89	103	733	198	200	—	238	102	135	516	1,783	153
Franklin	3,721	13	18	—	21	5	8	40	12	11	—	30	4	69	24	69	19
Hampshire	3,325	540	569	41	322	53	69	541	188	139	33	187	72	194	194	407	63
Middlesex	9,307	39	37	2	22	5	12	43	18	29	—	72½	3	124	35	163	62
Nantucket	13	30	1,207	3	824	141	191	786	172	364	1	326	265	1,009	1,486	3,503	347
Norfolk	2,926	699	322	5	320	38	37	677	89	76	2	78	37	360	387	12	5
Plymouth	1,216	131	173	67	95	29	35	191	60	67	15	93	32	314	318	768	112
Suffolk	21,921	3,192	4,512	11	2,318	781	1,006	5,218	1,711	2,011	11	1,079	1,115	833	1,326	835	447
Worcester	5,467	411	491	—	532	68	85	880	143	154	—	207	126	112	494	7,107	172
Total	52,535	7,051	8,145	129	4,956	1,289	1,641	20,945	2,760	3,273	63	2,504	1,820	3,768	5,203	17,530	2,100
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Five days for all types of cases.

